

## House Resolution 1807

By: Representatives Ashe of the 56<sup>th</sup>, Gardner of the 57<sup>th</sup>, Oliver of the 83<sup>rd</sup>, Porter of the 143<sup>rd</sup>, and Abrams of the 84<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Tom Weyandt and congratulating him as a Founders' Award recipient; and for  
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Tom Weyandt is Director of Comprehensive Planning for the Atlanta Regional  
4 Commission; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Tom Weyandt is an individual who has spent his entire professional and  
6 personal life dedicated to positive change in the Atlanta region as a planner and director at  
7 the Atlanta Regional Commission, Planning Commissioner for the City of Atlanta, and  
8 Executive Director of Research Atlanta; and

9 WHEREAS, Tom began his career at the Atlanta Regional Commission in the 1970's where  
10 he wrote the first Transit Station Area Development Studies for the new MARTA stations  
11 and also developed the first transit feasibility studies for non-MARTA counties; and

12 WHEREAS, as director of transportation planning for the ARC, Tom established the Area  
13 Plan Review process to protect land for future transit improvements; and

14 WHEREAS, as the City of Atlanta Planning Commissioner, he coordinated with Central  
15 Atlanta Progress in the Central Atlanta Study Update and created the city's first historic  
16 preservation ordinance; and

17 WHEREAS, he moved into a regional focus on policy issues when he became Executive  
18 Director of Research Atlanta; and

19 WHEREAS, since 2000, Tom has been the Director of Comprehensive Planning for the  
20 Atlanta Regional Commission where he singularly had the vision to create the Livable  
21 Centers Initiative, a national award winning program that began the paradigm shift in the

1 region toward building walkable and livable mixed use developments that integrate land use  
2 and transportation planning; and

3 WHEREAS, Tom served on the United Way Board and helped to create the 411 program and  
4 serves on the Piedmont Park Conservancy Board and various leadership positions at his  
5 church; and

6 WHEREAS, Tom is a graduate of Leadership Atlanta, the Regional Leadership Institute, and  
7 the Institute for Georgia Environmental Leadership and now conducts leadership workshops  
8 for many leadership programs.

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
10 the members of this body heartily commend Tom Weyandt for his extraordinary service to  
11 the community and the State of Georgia and congratulate him as a recipient of The Civic  
12 League Founders' Award.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
14 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Tom Weyandt.